

Senate Resolution 648

By: Senators Pearson of the 51st, Mullis of the 53rd, Thomas of the 54th, Hawkins of the 49th, Butterworth of the 50th and others

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia celebrates the life of one of its most distinguished citizens,
3 Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was born in Augusta, Georgia, a beloved daughter of Mattie E.
5 Harter and Charles W. Harter, Sr.; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree earned a bachelor's degree from Augusta College and a master's
7 degree from the University of Georgia; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was united in love and marriage to Dr. Bob Childree on April 26,
9 1969, and they were blessed with two remarkable sons, Carl and Timothy, and a delightful
10 grandson, Wesley; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was instrumental in the formation of the Chapel Christian
12 Academy, where she served as principal, instructor, and board member, and was one of the
13 founders of the Pickens County Pregnancy Center; and
- 14 WHEREAS, a woman devoted to the Republican Party, Mrs. Childree served as chairman
15 of the Pickens County GOP for three terms and was on the executive board of the 9th District
16 GOP and was a State Committee member; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was passionate about imparting knowledge to others and
18 inspiring them to reach their utmost potential as evidenced by her work as a Sunday school
19 instructor, a women's Bible study leader, and her serving as a public school teacher for ten
20 years and as a home school teacher for her children for 14 years; and

21 WHEREAS, an avid gardener, biker, hiker, and camper, Mrs. Childree enjoyed spending
22 time in nature and taking in the outdoors; and

23 WHEREAS, Mrs. Childree was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable
24 reputation for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and her faith and leadership
25 continue to serve as an inspiration to others; and

26 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous woman, the passing of Mrs. Childree affected
27 the lives of many; she will long be remembered for her love of God, country, family, and
28 friendship; and this loyal wife, mother, neighbor, and friend will be missed by all who had
29 the great fortune of knowing her.

30 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
31 join in honoring the life and memory of Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree and commending her
32 accomplishments and contributions to the State of Georgia.

33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
34 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mrs. Mary Ellen Childree.